

# The Eastside church of Christ Informer

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## *Schedule of Services*

### Sunday

Morning Worship  
9:00 a.m.

Bible Classes  
10:15 a.m.

Evening Worship  
5:30 p.m.

Monday Night For  
The Master  
1st & 3rd Monday  
6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

Ladies' Bible Class  
10:00a.m.  
(Sept. - May)  
Resumes 9/7

Step It Up 3:15

Devotional  
6:30 p.m.

Bible Classes  
6:45 p.m.

*2011 Theme*  
*"Do all in the name*  
*of the Lord"*

## *How I See It. By: Brian Gregory*

This past weekend a tragic accident occurred at the Indiana State Fair. During an outdoor concert, an approaching storm suddenly sent an unexpected 70 mph gust of wind. This wind gust caused the stage and all of rigging to immediately collapse onto the crowd below. In the end, dozens were injured and five people lost their lives. Investigators say there was a storm approaching the area. Fair officials claim they were about to shut down the event and evacuate the area for safety. Obviously they were too late. Before restarting any of the fair events, a memorial service was held to honor the victims.

This tragic event was due in large part to "a freak event of nature" according to the Governor. While this is correct there are several things we can learn from it. **First**, Jesus recognized terrible things happen to unsuspecting/ innocent people often. Jesus described two such events in Luke 13:1-5. He reached the same conclusion with each. Just because tragic things happen to people does not mean they are worse sinners than anyone else. People have long equated, suffering as a punishment for sin. All throughout the book of Job, his friends are doing just that (e.g. Job. 8:1-7). Yet, Jesus warns, "if you do not repent, you will likewise perish" (Luke 13:3, 5). **Second**, officials knew of an approaching storm and warned if it worsened they would shut the concert down. However, their failure to act soon enough cost five people their lives. The same is true with the gospel. There is a terrible storm fast approaching. God describes it as a place called Hell (Rev. 21:8). The ability to warn others comes in the gospel message (Rom. 1:15-17). Although it is never up to us to make someone believe it, we still have the obligation to share it with others. God told Ezekiel, He had set him as a watchmen to warn Israel (Eze. 3:18-21). If he failed to do so, God would hold him accountable. Some dismiss themselves from the gospel with others by saying, "I cannot teach, etc. . ." Yet, they fail to realize the best way to do so is through living the gospel before others. **Third**, we learn life can be lost quickly and unexpectedly. I am confident none of the people involved woke up that morning knowing it would be their last day. If they had all known what was going to happen, they would have lived that day differently. I suppose they would have said, one last "I love you", one last "goodbye" or "I am sorry". Hopefully, they would have made the effort to make things right with God. Whether today or tomorrow is your last day or mine, is not important. How we are living our life now and if it is right with God is what is most important (Heb. 9:27).

August 21, 2011

A.M. "Singing to God" (Psalm 148) Joe Macer, Speaker

P.M. "The Like Precious Faith" (2 Peter 1:1-2) Brian Gregory, Speaker

## KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

**Recovering from surgeries/procedures:** - **John Churchwell, Sr** (hip) NHC Columbia Rm. 143-A; **Robert Norman** (kidney surgery) at son's home; **Barbara McNeese** (gall bladder surgery); **Ruby Prince & Patsy Long Rieves** (Sarah Churchwell's nieces)

### **Various illnesses/health/personal problems:**

**Martha Wilson; Andee & Molly Kelley; Sydney Massey; Bill & Mable Smith** - home; **Greg Norman** (Roberta Bolton's brother & Robert's son); **Tucker Worley; Marsha Lunn; Barney Roland** (NHC Hillview Rm. 101-B); **Cindy Hargrove** (improving); **Linda Hardy** (pancreatic & liver cancer); **Sandy Humphrey** (terminal cancer); **Frances Fitzgerald**-home (No visitors please); **Beverly Dawson; Darlene Church NHC-Hillview 112-A; Linda Bell** treatments for bone cancer (Clyde Farris' sister); **Coleen Pilkinton** (undergoing cancer treatments); **James Ed Pollard; Larry Derryberry** (Libby Moss' brother & Lisa Kelley's uncle); **Betty Allen** (Mary Chumbley's daughter);  
**In The Hospital: Charlene Gossett MRMC; Tony Harris** (Jan Thomason's brother) Vanderbilt; **Larry Anderson MRMC 393; Willie Matt Hinson** (Judy Barber's aunt) MRMC Rm. 101, **Ainsley Hooper** (Lisa Kelley's co-worker's 4 month old daughter, Vanderbilt C.H. ECMO very critical)



### Pray for our Servicemen & their families:

**Kevin Mick (Afghanistan)**  
**Kevin.eric.mick@us.army.mil**  
CPT MICK, KEVIN  
TNARNG JFHQ FWD 83  
APO AE 09355

**Brad A. Morgan, (3rd time to Iraq)**  
**Nell Hood's grandson**  
Maj. Brad A. Morgan,  
HHC, 326 ENG.BN.,  
A.P.O. AE 09391

**Clay Morgan, (2 trips to Iraq now in Afghanistan)**  
**Nell Hood's grandson**  
Maj. Clay Morgan,  
HHC, 25TB 2/4 ID., FOB SARAH,  
A.P.O. AE 09382

**Brandon Hubbard**  
(Clayton & Myrna Jett's grandson)

**Steven Kuykendall (Afghanistan)**  
(Ray's son)  
1-107th AOB, FOB  
Tarin Kow T  
APO AE 09380

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS



**Aug. 24th** - 4th Wednesday Prayer Service in small auditorium 6:30 p.m. Children's Bible Hour in annex.

**Aug. 31st** - 5th Wednesday Song Service 6:30 p.m.

**Sept. 4th** - Kent O'Donnell mission report

**Sept. 5th** - Labor Day! Office Closed

## RESPONSES

**Sammy Patterson** responded to the Lord's invitation Sunday morning asking for our prayers for him and his family. He is to be commended for his love for God, his family and the church.

**Sammy** also submitted a letter resigning as deacon. We appreciate all he has done for Eastside and his desire to serve the Lord in every way possible. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.



## Building Fund Campaign

**GOAL= \$600,000 August 31, 2011 - March 31, 2012**

**The elders need to know how much the congregation is willing to commit to the building project to be able to make decisions on which stage of completion they will pursue. They are asking that you print your commitment on the card in the envelopes provided and place in the collection plate when it is passed around or give to an elder.**

**(Name is optional)**

**The elders are pleased to announce you have exceeded the half way mark!**

**(Drawings are displayed in lobby)**

**Kid's Count Campaign: Jug in lobby with separate chart to track the kid's portion of the building fund giving. This will continue until the end of this year.**



## Summits of the Psalms

By: Joe Macer

### Psalm 84

84:10 Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

So many wonderful thoughts run through this short Psalm. A man has been taken captive and is in a foreign land. As a worshipping man, he had been in the temple on a regular basis. Life had become difficult since he could not go to the temple to worship. He yearned for the courts of God. How sad today when we see Christians freely ignore the privilege of coming together to worship. We have such a precious opportunity in our nation today. Let's not ignore it. "Blessed are those who dwell in your house."

Life is a journey – a pilgrimage. He thinks back to journeys to the temple for one of the festivals. They passed through the Valley of Baca (meaning the valley of weeping) and yet made it a place of springs. God was watching over them and blessing them. His desire is that his valley of weeping will once again become a time of blessings before God in Zion. We are shown that we must persevere through tough times until we stand before God in Zion – the Heavenly Zion.

Is there anywhere that you would rather be than assembled with the saints to worship? Which would you choose: one day of worship or 1000 on the lake or 1000 at the mall or 1000 at a ballgame or a 1000 in your easy chair in front of the television? Sadly every Lord's Day we see wrong choices made by Christians. Let's value the privilege of worshipping the true and living God. Let's do it now so that we may also do it forevermore around his throne.



## Happy Birthday

- August 22nd - Donnie Davis,  
Jackson Lee & William Warf
- August 23rd - Scott Lentz
- August 26th - Diane White
- August 27th - Kimberly Upchurch

## Youth News

by Jody Pritchett



**August 24th** - Step It Up 3:00 p.m. in annex.

**August 31st** - Step It Up 3:00 p.m. in annex.

**Sept. 17th** - R.U.S.H. at FHU \$30 (deadline Sept. 4th)

\*\*\*Parents - Jody needs a copy of your kids sports/school activities schedule. This includes sports, band, special school events, etc. This is for all age groups. He will try to be at as many activities as possible.\*\*\*

**August 28th** - Tweens' devo in annex after the p.m. service.



### **BIBLE BOWL 2011**

Read chapters and answer questions prior to class. Review each Sunday night. Schedule:

**August 21** - Revelation 19 & 20

**August 28** - Revelation 21 & 22

**September 4** - Review

**September 10** - Bible Bowl 2011!!!!



**Ben and Nancy Fronczek will be visiting with us August 30th - 31st.**

**Kent O'Donnell will be visiting and presenting a mission report September 4th.**

**August Theme: Teach and admonish with songs, hymns, and spiritual songs.**

**Goal: To educate and put into practice the true meaning of singing as a part of worship.**

## THE RECORD SPEAKS

August 14, 2011

Morning Worship.....	141
Bible Study.....	170
Afternoon Worship.....	118
Wednesday Evening.....	136
Budget.....	\$7,000.00
Contribution.....	\$6159.50



MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER  
Next date to meet TBA

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**WORSHIP LEADER August 21, 2011**

**SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.**

Welcome/Song Leader.....Greg Lusk  
 Prayer.....Jim Pollard  
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Randy Jones  
 Serving:  
 Ryan Massey Jonathan Macer  
 Bobby Hunt Byran Farris  
 J.D. Davis Blake Daniels  
 Offering  
 Read (Psalm 148).....Gary Boyd  
 Sermon: "Singing to God".....Joe Macer  
 Invitation  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Richard Farris

**SUNDAY 5:30 p.m.**

Welcome/Song Leader.....Jerry Wilson  
 Prayer.....John Thomas  
 Read (II Peter 1:1-2).....Jesse Gilliam  
 Sermon: "The Like Precious Faith".....Brian Gregory  
 Invitation  
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....Benny Bolton  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....John Kodatt

Ushers: Jerry Williams, Ray Rummage, Joe Williams  
 Greeters: Ronnie & Christie Skelley  
 Audio/Visual: Jason Snyder

If you are unable to keep your appointment to serve, please call Ray Rummage (379-5560) or Joe Williams (388-9183).

**NURSERY CARE**

A.M.....Jessica Daniels  
 Jadonna Hight  
 P.M.....Melissa Jones  
 Teresa Lyle

**WEDNESDAY 08/24/2011 (Prayer Service)**

Song Leader .....Joe Macer  
 Prayer.....Mike Lyle  
 Announcements/Speaker.....Brian Gregory